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## Week in Review, Secretary Zinke visits New England 6/12-6/16

### NATIONAL COVERAGE:

**WASHINGTON POST:** "Zinke argued the recent use of the Antiquities Act by presidents to create national monuments exceeded the intent of its creator President Theodore Roosevelt because they block development on too much land around the specific monument sites. Zinke later told Reuters he believed "there are legitimate scientific endeavors and research that are recognized and important (around the site), but there are also recognized livelihoods, fishing jobs that are also important."

**REUTERS:** "U.S. Interior Secretary Ryan Zinke (ZIHN'-kee) is sounding a positive note about the fate of a national monument in Maine that's under review. He said Wednesday that he's comfortable with Katahdin (kuh-TAH'-dih) Woods and Waters National Monument remaining in "public hands." He also praised the forested scenery, calling it "beautiful."

**THE HILL:** "Interior Secretary Ryan Zinke says federal ownership of a controversial national monument in Maine is "settled," but the management of it may not be. In a public meeting Thursday as part of his multi-day tour of the Katahdin Woods and Waters National Monument, Zinke said the monument area's management might change to allow logging and other "traditional uses."

### New Hampshire Coverage:

**CONCORD MONITOR:** "Interior Secretary Ryan Zinke stood in front of a giant fish tank in Hooksett on Thursday and signed an even more giant check, doling out more than \$1.1 billion nationwide to support conservation and outdoor recreation projects. Gov. Chris Sununu said the money is "vital" and that it helps pay for programs that teach young people how to fish, use firearms and hunt safely. The "vast majority" of the money will go to the Fish and Game Department, he said."

**UNION LEADER:** "In New Hampshire, these dollars are used to pay some Fish and Game administrative costs (not for law enforcement), for the cost to manage habitat and for acquisition of property. States have to come up with the 25 percent match, but some programs allow that to be flexible. For example, the state uses Pittman-Robertson money to pay for its hunter education program; federal rules allow the time of volunteer instructors to be counted as part of the state's match, Fish and Game officials said. This is Zinke's first trip to the state since he became Trump's interior secretary in April. A decorated Navy Seal commander, Zinke resigned his U.S. House seat in Montana to accept the cabinet post. Prior to Tuesday's news conference on the grants, Zinke will meet privately with a group of elected officials and sportsmen, Normandeau said."

### Maine Coverage:

**BANGOR DAILY NEWS:** "Zinke shook a monument sign to ensure that it was planted well. He noted that park managers were barely into their three years of assembling the monument's management plan, but he seemed very interested in ensuring that everything about Katahdin Woods was in good working order. "If it says 'Department of the Interior' on it, I expect the experience to be five-star," Zinke said. Building greater trust in the federal government is another goal, Zinke said. He said he didn't see any great divides between LePage's goal of sustaining jobs in the area and the St. Clair family's desire to preserve the land."

**MAINE PUBLIC:** "At the monument's scenic overlook with views of Mount Katahdin, Zinke stopped for lunch and told reporters "all options are on the table." He won't make a decision until he's talked to all parties. But, for now, he says he's comfortable with the property being in the public's hands. He just wants to ensure a visit is a good experience."

### Massachusetts Coverage:

**BOSTON GLOBE:** "In a backroom at a waterfront Legal Seafoods, about 20 representatives from New England fisheries and fishermen's associations sought to persuade Zinke to shrink or eliminate the monument. Expressing unanimous disapproval of Obama's move to use the Antiquities Act to protect the area, they argued that fisheries incur substantial financial losses and fishermen risk their safety by having to steer clear of the protected area. Meghan Lapp, fisheries liaison for Seafreeze, Ltd., said the company has two vessels that had fished for squid, mackerel, and butterfish in the zone since the 1980s. After the area became a monument, Lapp estimated the company lost hundreds of thousands of dollars. Fishermen around the table told similar stories."

**GLOUCESTER TIMES:** "Now the Trump administration is reviewing all of the national monument designations since 1996 that cover more than 100,000 acres with an eye toward potentially reversing some or all. On Friday, Zinke met with U.S Fish and Wildlife Service officials and officials from the New England Aquarium about marine wildlife around the monument. He then held a listening session with lobstermen and fishermen about the impact of the monument designation on their industry."

## **TV Hits:**

### **NEW HAMPSHIRE:**

[\*\*New Hampshire \\$1.1B Announcement\*\*](#)  
WMUR-MAN (ABC) - Manchester, NH  
News 9 Daybreak

### **MAINE:**

[\*\*Katahdin Woods and Waters National Monument\*\*](#)  
WAGM (CBS) - Presque Isle, ME  
WAGM This Morning (1 duplicate)

[\*\*Katahdin Review Segment\*\*](#)

WLBZ (NBC) - Bangor, ME  
WLBZ News Center 2 at 11 (4 duplicates)



